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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

MIDDLE EAST

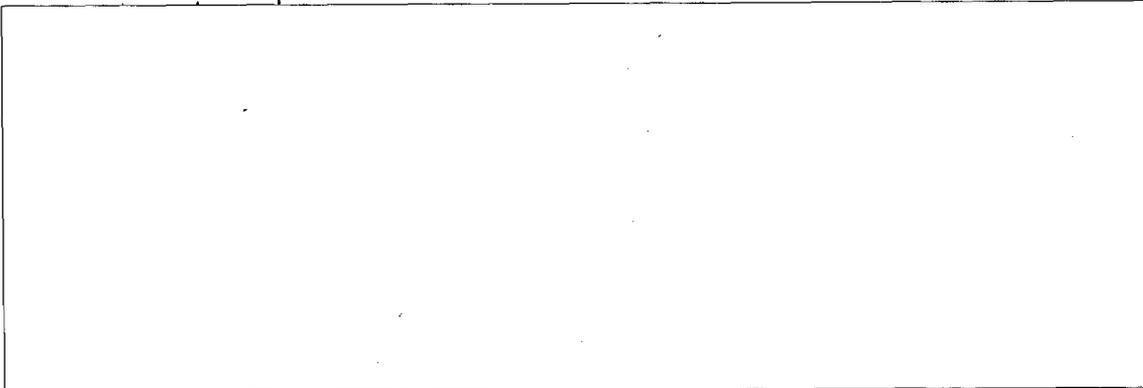
Situation Report Number 109
(as of 0630 EST)

THE MILITARY SITUATION

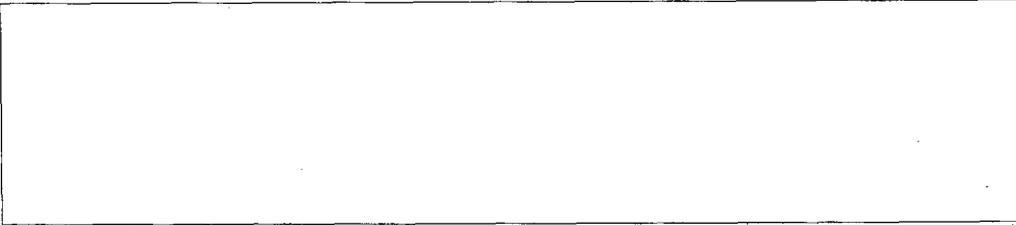
(All times cited in military paragraphs are
Cairo/Tel Aviv time, unless otherwise specified.)

1. An unusual lull in air activity began early
in the afternoon yesterday. For a period of over
twelve hours, no air activity by either side was
noted on the Egyptian and Syrian fronts. Israeli
aircraft were active near Suez and Al Qantarah this
morning, however. Israeli planes also conducted
reconnaissance flights along most of the Egyptian
front. Egyptian fighters conducted patrols near
Al Birijat, Tanta, and Al Mansurah airfield.

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4. Israeli aircraft conducted reconnaissance flights over the Syrian side of the 1967 cease-fire line and over Lebanon this morning. Other Israeli planes were active over the Golan Heights and northern Israel. No Syrian air activity has been reported. No reports of ground action on either front has been received.

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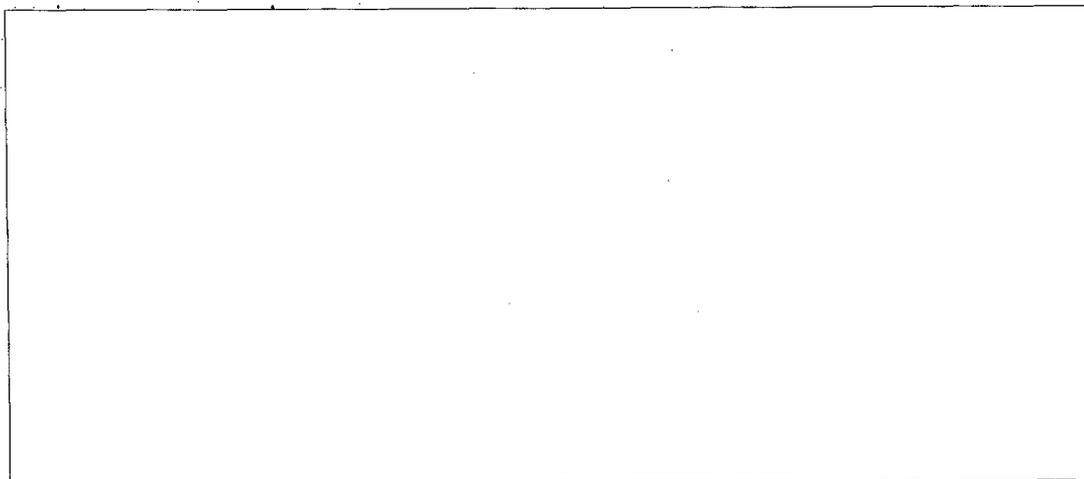
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6. Tel Aviv now holds 372 Syrian POWs, according to information [redacted]

[redacted] According to the figures, Israel also has 7,887 Egyptian, 18 Iraqi, and 6 Moroccan POWs, for a total of 8,283 prisoners. Of these, 643 are officers. A Reuter report issued at about the same time claimed a total of about 600 more Arab POWs.

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7. According to an Israeli press report, Israeli forces are still capturing Egyptian troops trapped within Israeli-occupied territory on the west bank of the Suez Canal. A total of 225 Egyptian troops were captured on the nights of 4-5 and 5-6 November, according to the press report.



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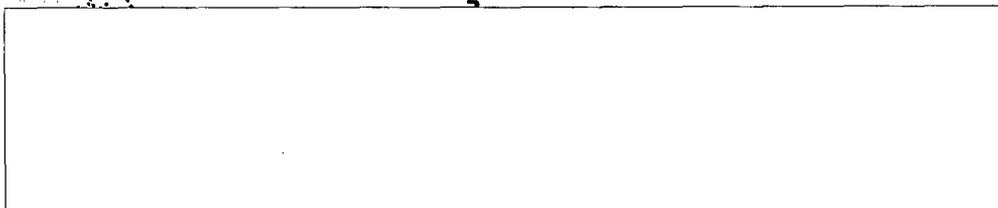
STATUS OF SOVIET FORCES

10. There has been no significant change in the status of Soviet or East European forces during the night.

UNITED NATIONS

11. According to a sensitive State Department cable, Secretary-General Waldheim will not ask for

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additional UNEF contingents until arrangements have been completed with states that have already agreed to contribute. This will take several weeks. The UNEF commander requested that no more forces be sent until permanent headquarters and logistical support are provided. UNEF is reportedly having great difficulty processing in-coming units, but the situation may be eased when Canadian logistics forces arrive later this week. The Secretary-General is concerned about the build up of forces by both sides on the Egyptian front.

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16. In a discussion recently with Black Sep-
tember Organization (BSO) leader Salah Khalaf, Presi-
dent Sadat of Egypt threatened that he would be
forced to recognize King Husayn of Jordan as the
legitimate spokesman for the Palestinians if the PLO
does not accept the cease-fire and agree to attend
a peace conference.

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KUZNETSOV RETURNS HOME

21. TASS reports that Soviet Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Vasily Kuznetsov, left Damascus last night for the USSR. This concludes his lengthy stay in the Middle East where he conferred with both Egyptian and Syrian leaders.

BOYCOTT OF PORTUGAL

22. Reuter from Damascus reports that Arab states have agreed to introduce a full economic boycott against Portugal for its "hostile attitude" and because it made its territory "a transit center for Israel during the October war."

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